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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please amend claims 6, 7 and 12 of this application as follows prior to examination. A version with markings to show the changes made is included at the end of this preliminary amendment.

6. (Amended) An automatic transmission according to any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein torque ratio transferred from said 1st axis to said 2nd axis by said 1st gear group, said torque transferring mechanism and said 2nd gear group is one or more.

7. (Amended) An automatic transmission according to any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the gear engaged with one of said drive gears fixed to said first axis is provided on another axis different from said first axis and said second axis,

further comprising a motor generator for driving and regenerating, and a torque transferring mechanism for adjusting the torque transfer between said gear and said motor generator.